

Massachusetts Seafood Dealer License Application Instructions

**Division of Marine Fisheries
251 Causeway Street – Suite 400
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 626-1520**

In accordance with M.G.L., c.130, s 80, all persons engaged in the wholesale or retail trade of raw fish, shellfish and lobsters, including marine bait, whether frozen or unfrozen, must obtain a Dealer Permit from Division of Marine Fisheries.

Application Instructions: Please complete each step in the correct order #1- #6

1. Request an application packet from the Division of Marine Fisheries.
2. Complete the “Inspection Request for W/S/Retail Seafood Operations”.
3. Complete the dealer’s permit application.
 - A.) Type of Permit: Refer to permit types on reverse side and check the appropriate box on the application.
 - B.) Dealer Permit #: If permit is new, Division of Marine Fisheries will issue a number: If permit is a renewal, write in previous permit number.
 - C.) Check products you seek to sell and activities that you want to be covered by this permit. (Not all products/activities will be approved.)

*Live or frozen bait cannot be stored with other products unless the inspection states “Approved for food and bait storage”.

*You may only endorse the products/activities that you were inspected for.

NOTE: Wet storage is the process of storing shellfish (not lobsters) in seawater. All off-shore wet storage facilities must be approved by the Division of Marine Fisheries and all on-shore facilities must be approved by the Division of Foods and Drugs [(617) 983-6712], prior to receiving authorization.

4. **Request an inspection - either mail or fax the inspection request AND a completed COPY of the permit application to the Division of Food & Drugs, 305 South Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130. Fax (617) 983-6770. Their telephone # is (617) 983-6712.**
5. **Retain** original permit application, the fee and the authorization form(s) to purchase any commercial quota managed fisheries until the inspection is performed (a copy of the report will be given to you at the time of inspection).
6. Once the inspection has been performed, please send the paperwork mentioned in # 5 to Division of Marine Fisheries.

We will not issue a Dealer’s Permit without the following:

- ♦ Completed dealer’s application
- ♦ Check or money order made payable to Comm. of MA
- ♦ Authorization form(s) to purchase any commercial quota managed fisheries (if applicable)
- ♦ Copy of health inspection or boat/broker waiver form (if applicable)

A new inspection is required if there is a change of ownership, address, permit type or the addition of products or activities.

Fee Schedule

<u>Permit Type</u>	<u>MA Residents</u>	<u>Non-Residents</u>
Bait Dealer	\$65.00	\$130.00
Retail Truck	\$65.00	\$130.00
Retail Boat	\$65.00	\$130.00
Retail Store	\$65.00	\$130.00
Wholesale Truck	130.00	\$260.00
Wholesale Broker	\$130.00	\$260.00
Wholesale Dealer	\$130.00	\$260.00